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Re: Patent Application For:  
**Self-Describing Device Interface System**

Our File: LE9-99-111

Dear Sir:

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- (1) Request for Status of Pending Application;
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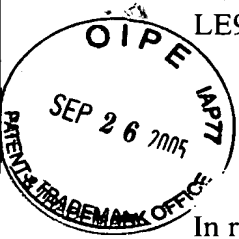
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In re Application of: **Eric Andrew Beard**  
Serial No.: **09/456,652**  
Filing Date: **December 8, 1999**  
Group Art Unit: **2626**  
Examiner: **Wallerson, Mark E.**  
Title: ***Self-Describing Device Interface System***

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER REQUESTING STATUS  
OF PENDING APPLICATION**

Applicant respectfully requests a response to this transmittal letter, indicating the status of the above-referenced pending application. This application was filed December 8, 1999. The last correspondence from the USPTO was on July 15, 2003, at which time an Office Action was received. A response and 1 month extension was filed November 13, 2003.

Enclosed is a pre-addressed, stamped envelope to aid in a fast response. Please notify the attorney listed below if necessary.

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